## Welcome to the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition of the Tinker View Acres Update!

The involvement of the community is an important part of the groundwater contamination cleanup effort in the Tinker View Acres neighborhood.

In response to concerns from Tinker View Acres residents, this informational pamphlet was created to further that involvement and, most importantly, keep all concerned informed about the developments in their neighborhood.

The following information addresses questions that were raised at the Community Advisory Board (CAB) meeting held on July 17, 2001, at the Midwest City Public Library.

## > Can I have bottled water if my well is not contaminated?

Bottled water will be supplied to all who request it. This provision is called an interim measure and will stop when city water is in place. If you would like bottled water, please call Mr. Brion Ockenfels at the number on the front of this pamphlet.

#### What if I do not want city water?

Tinker is paying to have homes not currently on city water in the Tinker View Acres subdivision connected to city water. At this point, this is the only remedy being offered. This is your opportunity to connect at no cost to you.



Periodic monitoring well sampling is conducted in the Tinker View Acres subdivision.

> How soon will city water be available?

Coon Engineering is Oklahoma City's contractor hired to design the city water connection. You may be contacted by them regarding access to your property. The construction phase may begin in late December and is expected to take three months.

Can I get reimbursed for having my private water well tested by an independent testing company?

Citizens will be reimbursed if the private water well was sampled after August 23, 2000 and before the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) sampled the water well. If you meet this criteria, please call Mr. Brion Ockenfels for further details.

Did ODEQ personnel properly follow the appropriate drinking water sampling procedures when collecting private water well samples?

Yes. The technical subcommittee of the CAB reviewed the drinking water sampling procedures. ODEQ did sample in compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) drinking water guidelines that govern private water well sample collection.

Where can I find information if the Midwest City Public Library is not convenient for me?

This informational pamphlet will be sent/delivered to Tinker View Acres residents each month. It will be used to update residents about progress concerning the water connections, and other pertinent information. Also, a Tinker View Acres website is under construction as a means to further that information access. The address is:

http://www-ext.tinker.af.mil/EM/TVA/tva.htm

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### Q1. What is TCE?

#### A1. Pronounced try-klor'oh eth'uh-leen

Trichloroethylene (TCE) is a nonflammable, colorless liquid with a somewhat sweet odor and a sweet, burning taste. It is used mainly as a solvent to remove grease from metal parts, but it also an ingredient in adhesives, paint removers, typewriter correction fluids, and spot removers.

#### Q2. What is DCA? A2. Pronounced 1,2-die'klor-oh eth'ane

1,2-Dichloroethane (DCA) is a manufactured chemical that is not found naturally in the environment. Its most common use today is to make vinyl chloride and other chemicals and to dissolve grease, glue, and dirt. It is also added to leaded gasoline to remove lead.

#### Q3. What is MCL?

**A3.** Maximum contaminant level is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water.

#### Q4. What is ODEQ?

**A4.** Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality. Website address is: <a href="www.deq.state.ok.us">www.deq.state.ok.us</a> or phone ODEQ customer service at (405) 702-1000. The ODEQ is a state agency that oversees compliance with state and federal environmental laws.

#### Q5. What is a CAB?

**A5.** The Community Advisory Board (CAB), formerly known as the Restoration Advisory Board (RAB), is a forum for information exchange and partnership among citizens, Tinker Air Force Base (TAFB), the EPA and the ODEQ. Most importantly, it promotes community awareness and creates a platform for constructive community review and comment on environmental restoration actions associated with TAFB. Quarterly CAB meetings are open to the public and are held at the Midwest City Public Library.

For more information on the CAB or CAB meetings, visit the TVA website and navigate to CAB or Community Relations Plan (CRP).

#### **Related websites:**

www.epa.gov/safewater/mcl.html

www.atsdr.cdc.gov

Or call: 1-888-422-8737 Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

### Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting 30 October 2001 6:00 p.m.

• Midwest City Public Library

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# Meeting Community Needs



This information pamphlet, a special WEB site and an e-mail account have been established for Tinker View Acres Residents

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